

State of Louisiana



Kathleen Babineaux Blanco
Governor

Proclamation

- WHEREAS,** Successful healthcare providers must be able to link their clinical expertise to the needs of their patients in order to remain successful; and
- WHEREAS,** hand therapists not only link their expertise to the needs of the consumer, but provide quality healthcare and quality patient care in an environment that utilizes the intricacy of rehabilitation procedures and state-of-the-art treatment; and
- WHEREAS,** hand therapists' specialized training and clinical expertise provides a quick identification of pathology and complex problems to the upper extremity. The end result of accurate assessments and treatment made by specialized hand therapists equals a shorter treatment time; and
- WHEREAS,** this translates into medical cost containment and also results in faster recovery which returns patient to a productive lifestyle; and
- WHEREAS,** the state of Louisiana has designed the week of June 14-18, 2004 as "Hand Therapy Awareness Week."
- NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Kathleen Babineaux Blanco, Governor of the state of Louisiana, do hereby proclaim June 14-18, 2004, as

HAND THERAPY AWARENESS WEEK

in the state of Louisiana, and I invite all citizens of Louisiana to observe this week with appropriate programs and activities.



The Governor
Kathleen Babineaux Blanco
Secretary of State

*In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set
my hand officially and caused to be affixed the
Great Seal of the State of Louisiana, at the
Capitol, in the City of Baton Rouge, on this
the 27th day of May
A.D., 2004.*

Kathleen Babineaux Blanco
Governor of Louisiana